

# **Energy and Air Quality**

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#### **Outline**

#### Part 1

- Why energy and air quality?
- Is air pollution destined to worsen in the future?
- Would coordinated energy-air quality policies be more effective than when implemented in isolation?

#### Part 2

 EPA ORD efforts to model linkages between energy system and air quality

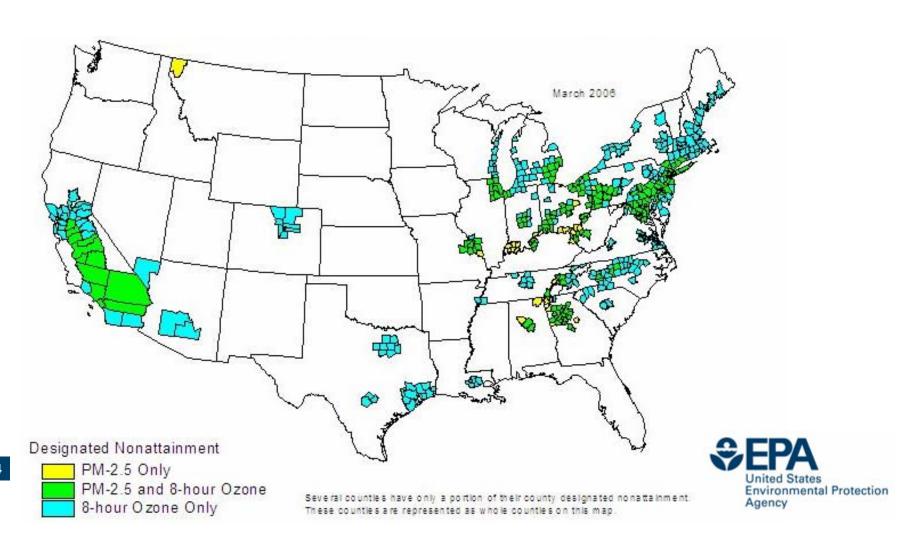


# Why energy and air quality?

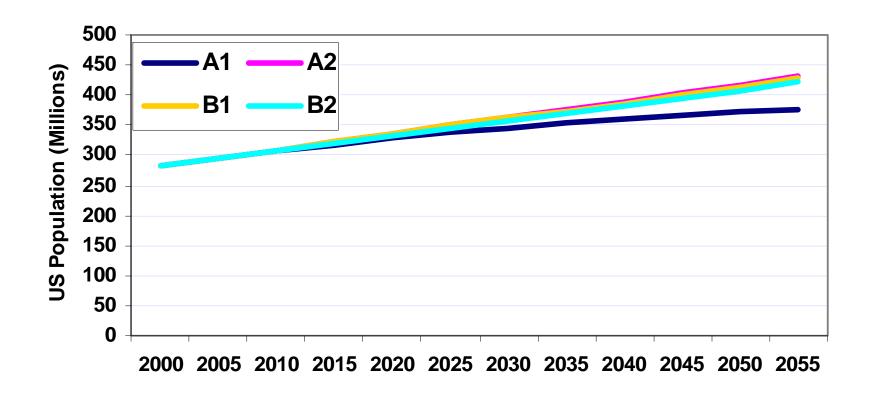


# **Air Quality Today**

#### Current non-attainment areas for PM2.5 and ozone



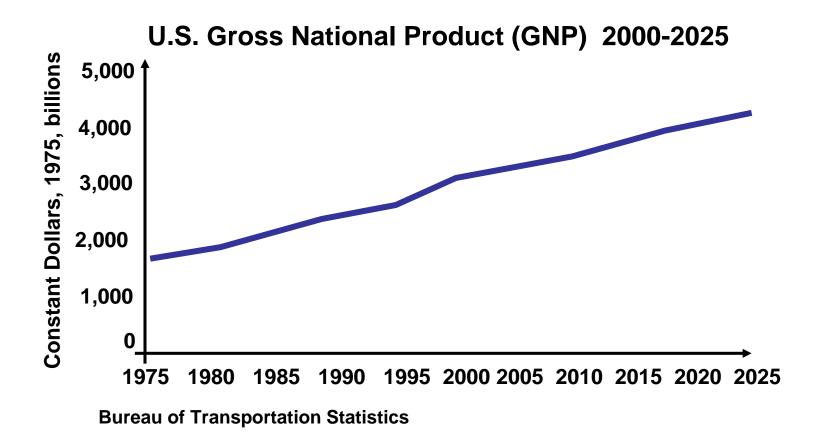
### **National Population Projections**



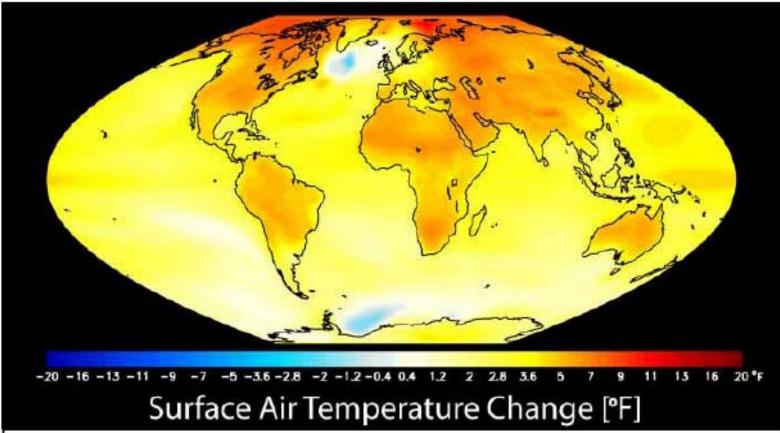
By 2055, increase of between 34% and 54%



## **Projected Economic Growth**



## **Projected Climate Change**



[Above] Projected change in annual mean surface air temperature from the late 20th century (1971-2000 average) to the middle 21st century (2051-2060 average). The change is in response to increasing greenhouse gases and aerosols based on a "middle of the road" estimate of future emissions. This scenario is denoted as IPCC SRES A1B [reference: IPCC, 2000]. Warming is larger over continents than oceans, and is largest at high latitudes of the Northern Hemisphere. These results are from the GFDL CM2.1 model, but are consistent with a broad consensus of modeling results.



Source:

NASA

## **Future Energy Service Demands**

#### From 2000 to 2030:

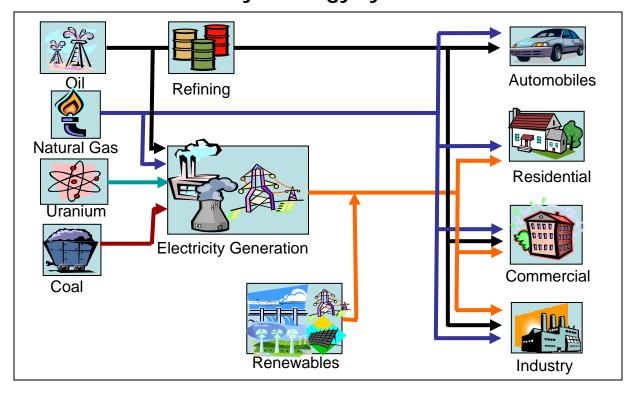
(Derived from the DOE's U.S. Annual Energy Outlook)

- Residential cooling demand increase by 115%
- Commercial cooling demand increase by 60%
- Residential heating demand increase by 37%
- Commercial heating demand increase by 30%
- Light duty travel demand increase by 85%



## The Energy System and Emissions

#### Today's energy system



#### **Air Pollution**

Contribution to anthropogenic emissions:

NOx ~ 95%

SOx ~ 89%

CO ~ 95%

Hg ~ 87%

**Air Quality Concerns:** 

**Ozone** 

PM2.5

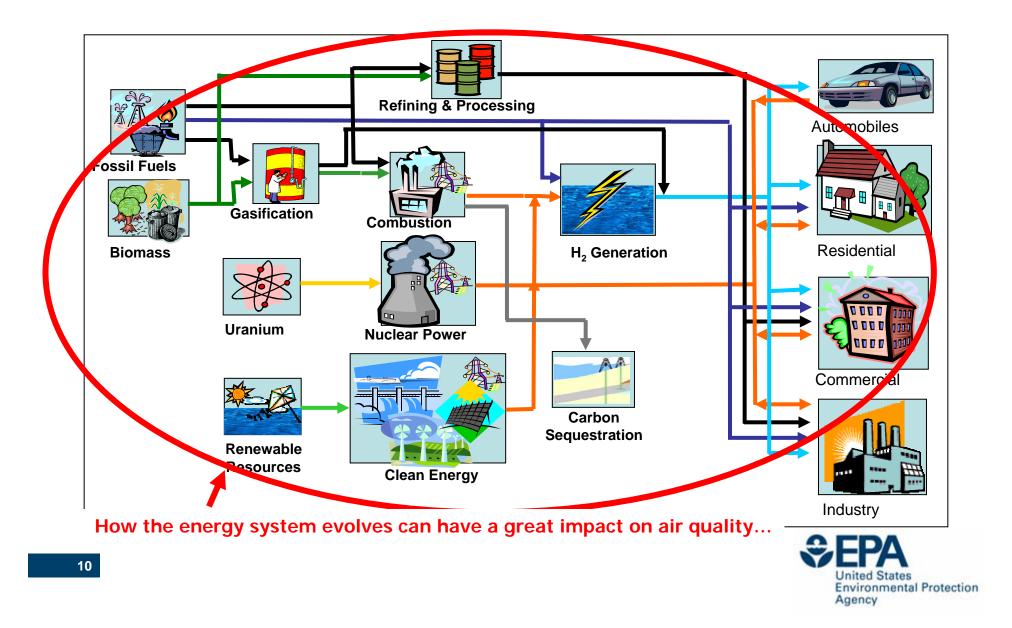
**Acid deposition** 

**Toxics** 

Derived from EPA
National Emissions Inventory



# **Potential Role of Technology Change**



# What about air quality in the future?

#### Factors affecting future air quality:



- Economic growth
- Temperature
- Reactive pollutant formation
- Energy demands
- Technology change

#### Driven by:

- Economics
- Preference
- Policy
- R&D



### **Potential Role of Policy**

#### Existing Regulations

- -Clean Air Act Amendments
- -Clean Air Interstate Rule
- -On-Road and Non-road Diesel Rules
- New Source Performance Standards
- -CAFE

#### Speculation: Possible Policies & Regulations?

- –More stringent pollutant emissions limits?
- –Climate and/or energy policies?
- –New CAFE standards?
- –Renewable portfolio standards?



# **Outstanding Questions on Policy**

- What impacts do various energy and climate policies have on air quality?
- What impacts do air quality policies have on greenhouse gas emissions?
- Are there benefits in taking a coordinated approach?



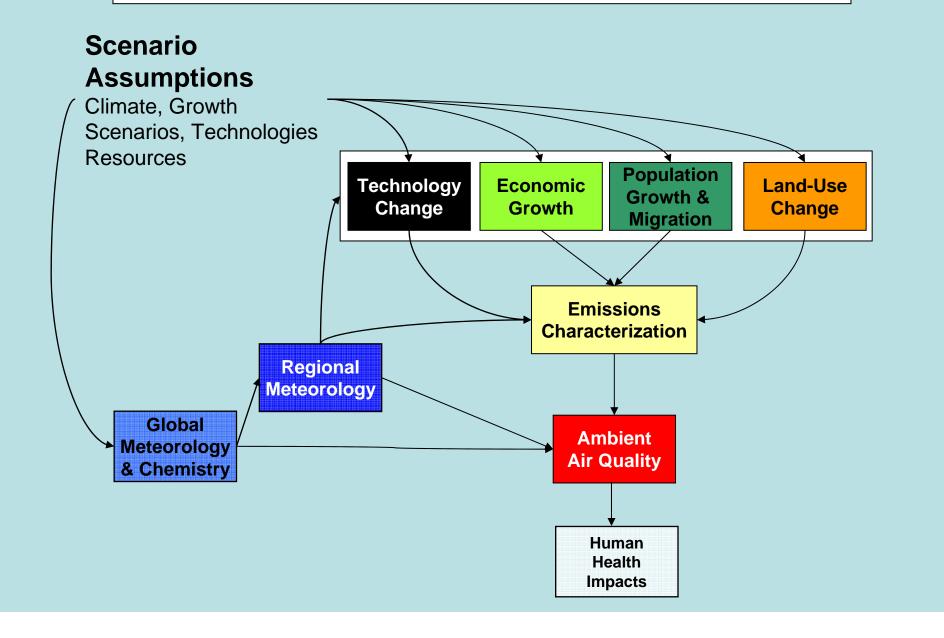
# ORD Global Change Air Quality Assessment

#### Goals:

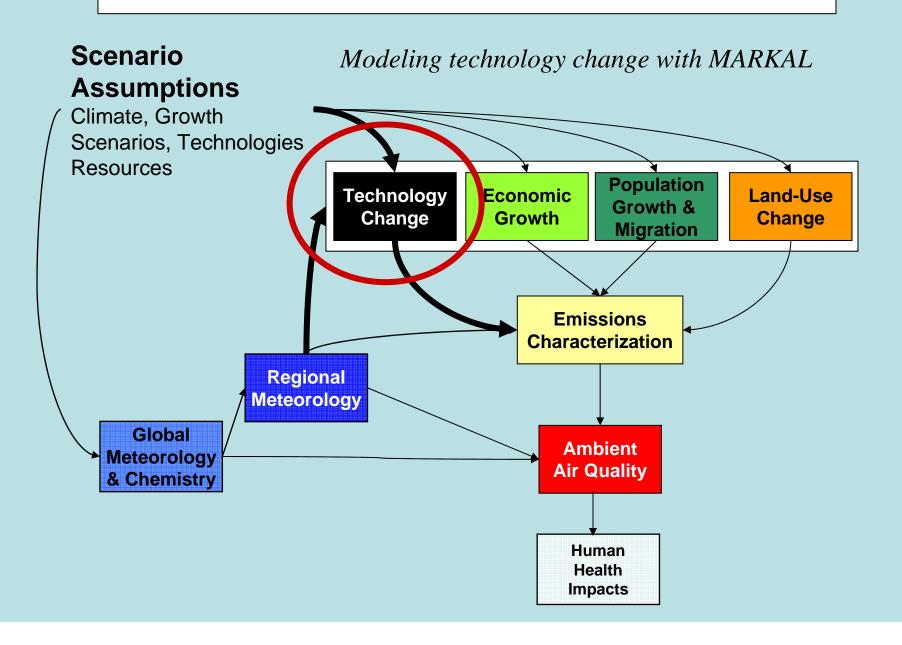
- Anticipate potential future air quality concerns
- Develop decision support information and tools to assist federal, regional, state and local decision makers adapt to and mitigate the air quality implications of global change



# **Integrated Modeling Framework**



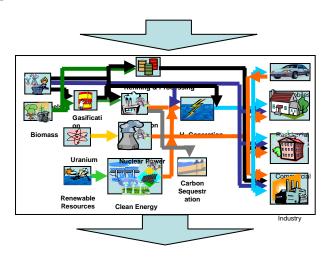
## **Integrated Modeling Framework**



# **Technology Change Modeling: MARKAL**

#### **MARKAL Inputs:**

- energy service demands
- resource supply cost curves
- current and future technology characteristics
- emissions regulations



#### MARKAL Outputs (5-yr increments, 2000-2050):

- technology penetrations by demand
- fuel use by type and region

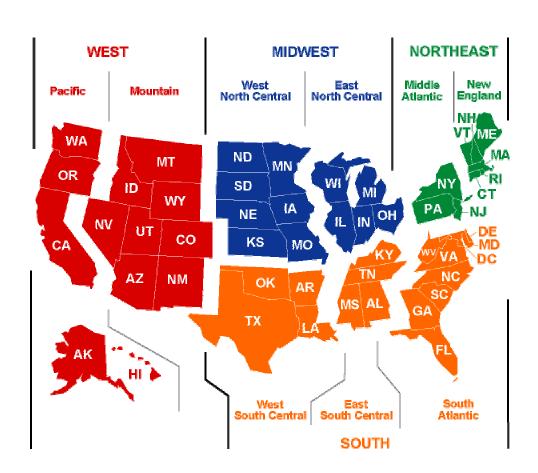
#### **Derived Outputs:**

Emissions growth and control factors for SMOKE

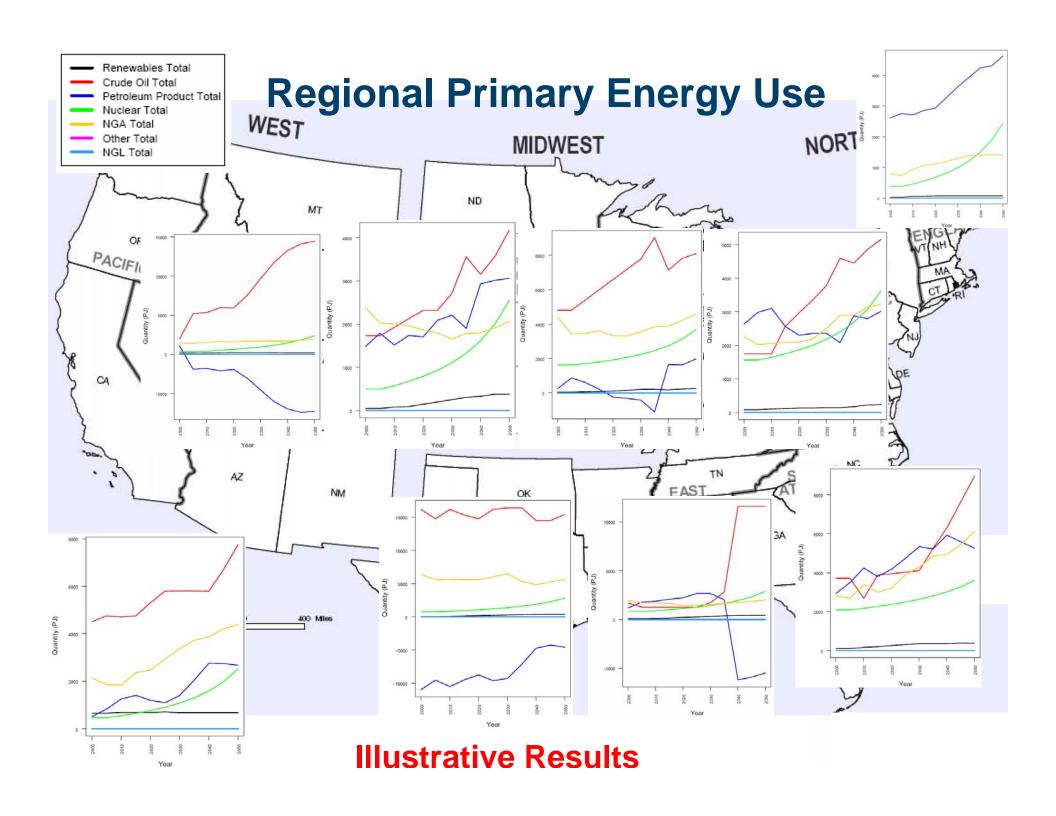


# Nine-Region MARKAL Model

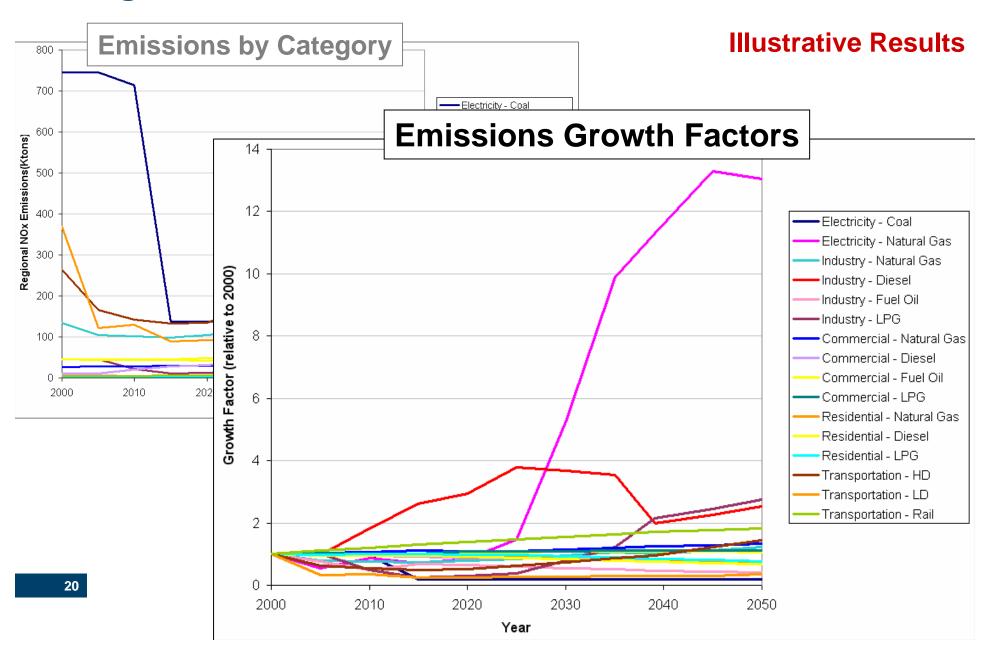
- Based on U.S. Census divisions
- Models from 2000 to 2050 in 5-yr increments
- Improve representation of:
  - Coal, oil, and gas supply and transportation costs
  - Renewable energy resources
  - Existing technology stock
  - Technology suitability
  - End-use energy demands
  - Inter-region energy trading
  - Emissions regulations
- Expected public release late 2007 or 2008





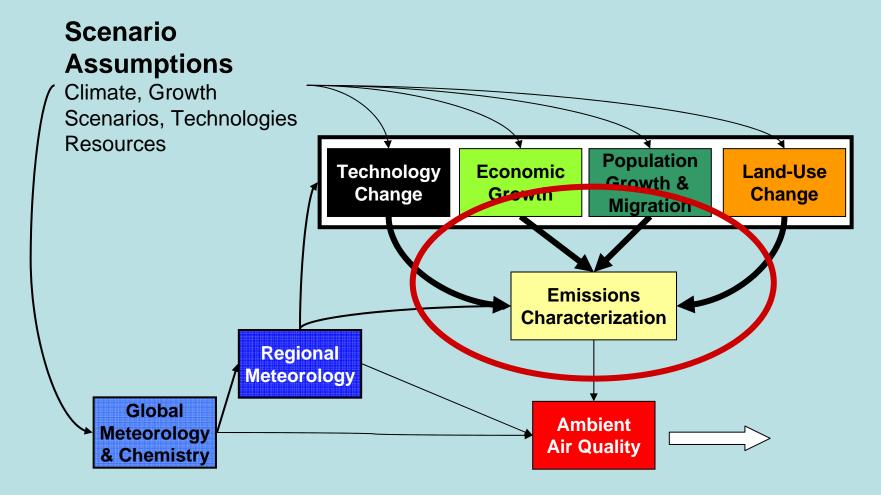


#### **Regional Emissions Growth Factors from MARKAL**



# Tying it all Together

Developing internally consistent, realistic futureyear spatially allocated emissions projections

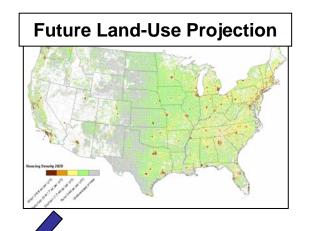


## **Projections of Anthropogenic Emissions**

**Baseline Emissions Inventory** 

**NEI 2000** 

SMOKE	Growth &	Contro	File
23000	10100100	1.441	NOX
23000	10100100	4.335	SOX
23000	10100100	1.094	PM10
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CMAQ
(Air Quality Model)



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